### Welcome

# CONNECTINGS

YAKIMA VALLEY AND MOUNT RAINIER NATIONAL PARK

WASHINGTON STATE YOUTH SUMMIT JULY 10-13, 2012

YOU CAN MAKE HISTORY





#### WELCOME YOU CAN MAKE HISTORY

The Washington Trust for Historic Preservation, the National Park Service and our Youth Summit partners and sponsors welcome you to the Washington State Youth Summit: Connecting Cultures.

You are already making history—you are participating in the first national pilot program that expands the engagement of youth in decision-making about historic places. Building on the success of a state program that has been running in Colorado since 2006, the Washington Youth Summit is the first Summit to be held in another state and is presented as part of the American Latino Heritage Initiative.

Through visits to the Yakima Valley and Mount Rainier National Park, you will be tasked during an immersive interactive program to learn more about Washington's rich Hispanic and Latino heritage, examine the challenges faced in saving the historic places that convey important history and culture, as well as explore ways to increase visitation by underserved populations in our National Parks.

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Throughout the Summit, you will be joined by numerous leaders and officials eager for your ideas and input. You will be asked to provide critical feedback of your observations and opinions which will be shaped, summarized and presented at a concluding Town Hall with community leaders. Your opinions and ideas matter.

Now it is your turn! Help make history! We need your feedback and recommendations on how to better share, save, and understand our nation's historic places. We look forward to hearing your ideas!

Thank you for being part of History!

Ann Alexander Pritzlaff Youth Summit Director

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#### STUDY THEMES AND QUESTIONS

#### ADVANCING APPRECIATION OF AMERICAN LATINO **CULTURE AND HERITAGE**

- 1. This Youth Summit is part of the American Latino Heritage Initiative. What are the critical stories regarding Latino heritage in this region that should be shared with families in your community?
- 2. What people and places in the Yakima Valley can help tell these stories?
- 3. What are the challenges or obstacles to demonstrating the importance of Latino heritage and culture in this region? What can you do to overcome them?
- 4. What audiences are interested in American Latino heritage? How can you interest others? Who could best reach these audiences? How?

#### ENHANCING THE HERITAGE TOURISM EXPERIENCE

- 1. Mount Rainier National Park and the wine industry currently attract visitors to the region. Propose three new ideas to promote and share the region's rich cultures and historic places with visitors.
- 2. For both Mount Rainier National Park, and the Yakima Valley, how could exhibits, displays, printed materials or other methods share the Latino heritage AND be relevant to Latinos?
- 3. What type of heritage-related activities or programs would be appealing to youth and their families? What type of activities or programs would be specifically appealing to better reach Latino youth and their families?
- 4. What technologies, media and other tools could be used to promote and celebrate the historic and cultural importance of this area?

#### SAVING HISTORIC PLACES THAT MATTER

- 1. What historic properties and culturally significant places should be preserved as essential to convey this region's diverse heritage?
- 2. What are the critical issues facing the preservation of the region's historic places?
- 3. How can students learn more about the stories, history and culture of this area through actual or virtual visits to historic places?
- 4. How can students and youth be better mobilized to help identify and work to save historic places that matter?

# Schedule

#### **TUESDAY, JULY 10**

SUMMIT WELCOME AND ORIENTATION: YAKIMA, WA

3:00pm-4:45pm Registration and check-in at Ledgestone Hotel

107 North Fair Avenue, Yakima, WA 98901; 509-453-3151

4:45pm Meet in lobby, divide into Element Groups

5:00pm Depart for Yakima Valley Museum

2105 Tieton Drive, Yakima, WA; 509-248-0747

5:15pm Museum Hunt Activity

Count the number of different cultural groups that have lived in the Yakima Valley Welcome entertainment provided by Trios Los Romanticos band and La Casa Hogar dancers

5:45pm Welcome Reception and Dinner

Yakima Valley Museum Centennial Hall

6:30pm Summit Convenes!

- · Summit Overview: Ann Pritzlaff, Youth Summit Director
- · Welcome: Elected Officials, Leaders and Dignitaries
- · American Latino Heritage Initiative: Stephanie Toothman, PH.D, Associate Director, Cultural Resources, National Park Service
- · A Valley Of Many Cultures: A Sweep Through The History Of The Yakima Valley: Bertha Ortega, Assistant Vice President Of Academic Affairs, Heritage University
- Counting The Stories From The Valley: John Baule, Director, Yakima Valley Museum

7:30pm Dance Performance by members of the Yakama Nation

8:00pm Return to Ledgestone Hotel

8:15pm-9:30pm Meet In Element Groups-Icebreaker

Discuss study themes, program and questions

9:30pm-9:50pm Teacher and Service Leader Meeting with Michelle Pearson

10:30pm Lights Out!

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 11

#### CONNECTING CULTURES: LATINO CULTURE IN THE YAKIMA VALLEY

7:00am Check out of rooms, load luggage onto motor coach

7:15am Breakfast and program at Ledgestone Hotel

· Tourism in the Yakima Valley: John Cooper, Yakima Valley Visitor And Convention Bureau

8:30am Depart for Granger, WA

9:00am Visit Radio KDNA, 91.9FM "La Voz del Campesino"

121 Sunnyside Avenue, Granger, WA 98932; 509-854-1900

Connecting Latino Workers Through Radio

- The History Of The Farm Worker In The Yakima Valley: Ricardo Garcia, Founder Of KDNA
- · The Continuing Power of Radio: Gabriel Martinez, Station Manager
- · Fruits Of Our Labor: Visit a photo display reinstalled for the Washington State Youth Summit

10:30am Depart for driving tour of historic Toppenish murals

11:30am Lunch and program At El Ranchito, a historic gathering place, recently reopened as a restaurant, bakery and tortillaria

1319 E First Ave, Zillah, WA; 509-865-7709

- · Welcome: Miguel Trujillo, Owner, El Ranchito
- · Significance Of The Toppenish Murals: Gilberto Garcia, Historian, Department Of Political Science, Central WA University

1:00pm Depart for Mabton, WA

1:45pm Visit to Alvarez Organic Farm, First Ownership, Then Sustainability

300 Murray Road, Mabton, WA; 509-830-5242.

 Competing In The 21st Century: Hilario Alvarez, Alvarez Organic Farm Owner and 2009 WA Tilth Farmer Of The Year

3:00pm Depart for Packwood, WA

5:15pm Check into Packwood Station

US Hwy 12 And Skate Creek Road, Packwood, WA; 360-494-2323

6:00pm Walk to dinner at Cruisers Pizza Restaurant

13028 US Highway 12, Packwood, WA; 360 494-5400

7:00pm Return to Packwood Station for recreation and free time

8:00pm-9:30pm Meet in Element Groups

10:30pm Lights Out!

#### THURSDAY, JULY 12

#### CONNECTING CULTURES: MOUNT RAINER NATIONAL PARK

6:00am Breakfast in the bunkhouse kitchens at Packwood Station

7:00am Travel through Mt. Rainier National Park via motor coach

8:00am-10:30am Community service project at White River Campground

Historic trail maintenance in a National Historic Landmark District: cleaning, raking and moving

rocks on historic roads, trails and campgrounds

10:30am Depart for Sunrise Visitor Center

11:30am Picnic lunch, explore Sunrise Visitor Center

1:00pm-3:00pm National Park Service Interactive Program: Family Recreational Opportunities and

the Visitor Experience in Mt. Rainier National Park

Fawn Bauer, Education Program Director & Park Interpretative Staff: Brandy Stewart, Tiffany Fuller,

Lukas Jones, Katie McGinnis

3:00pm-5:00pm Depart for driving tour of park resources

The Grove of the Patriarchs, an old growth stand of douglas fir

Ohanapecosh Geological Formation and Visitors Center

5:00pm Return to Packwood Station

5:45pm Depart for Tatoosh Meadows

6:00-7:30pm Dinner at Maree Lerchens' River House

Confluence of Skate Creek and The River, Packwood, WA, 360-494-2326

Music by Cris Gunther

7:30pm Return to Packwood Station

8:00pm-9:30pm Meet in Element Groups

9:30pm-9:50pm All Summit Meeting for Town Hall Review

9:50pm-10:15pm Element Leaders and student aides report to Michelle Pearson

10:30pm Lights Out!

### FRIDAY, JULY 13 CONNECTING CULTURES: TOWN HALL PRESENTATION

6:30am	Check out of rooms, load luggage onto motor coach
6:45am	Breakfast in the bunkhouse kitchens
7:30am	Depart for National Park Service Community Building
	Mount Rainier National Park, Mount Rainer, Longmire, WA 98397
8:30am-9:30am	Rehearsal and set-up for Town Hall Meeting
9:30am-11:00am	Town Hall Meeting with preservation and community leaders
11:00am	Summit Concludes! Depart for Yakima, boxed lunches en route Seattle-area students who came with El Centro de la Raza will board El Centro vans
2:00pm	Motor coach drops off students at Ledgestone Hotel in Yakima

# Contacts

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#### **TEACHERS**

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#### **ELEMENT LEADERS/CHAPERONES**

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